



Busy Bees December 2018 Calendar...



DECEMBER 2018	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HANUKKAH	3 Hanukkah introduction Herman the Hanukkah Candle song Hanukkah candles felt board Letter S intro. <i>Clifford Celebrates Hanukkah</i> Potato Sprouts Menorah manipulatives	4 My Dreidel song Dreidel Song song/dance Pass One Dreidel felt board Letter S cut & glue <i>Itsy Bitsy Dreidel</i> Star of David frame/orn.	5 Oil Experiment Shadow Puppets Light the Candles Bright Letter A intro. <i>Eight Candles and a Tree</i> Find the Gelt Dreidel Game	6 Menorah Candle fingerplay Hot Latkes game Hanukkah Lights Letter A chalkboard Hanukkah potato prints <i>The Story of Hanukkah</i>	7 Pass One Dreidel felt board Hanukkah Candles Herman the Hanukkah Candle <i>I Know an Old Lady who Swallowed a Dreidel</i> Sand Temples
CHRISTMAS IN MEXICO/LAS POSADAS	10 Rhythm Instruments to music from Mexico Jingle Bells Letter I intro. Feliz Navidad Sombreros <i>Story of Las Posadas</i> Christmas Counting book	11 Mexican Hat Dance Come and See our Star Piñata Christmas Star Letter I chalkboards <i>Las Posadas an Hispanic Christmas Celebration</i> Cup Piñatas Christmas Puppets	12 Felis Navidad Number 9 activities (Las Posadas lasts for 9 days) Counting to 9 in Spanish <i>Legend of the Poinsettia</i> Counting Book continued Letter T intro. Poinsettia pictures	13 Maraca Fun to Felis Navidad Christmas Bells Letter T dry erase Luminaries This is Christmas song Las Posadas procession Counting Book cont.	14 Come and See Our Star Piñata Feliz Navidad This is Christmas <i>The Christmas Star</i> Guacamole Letter I & T practice sheets
EUROPEAN CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS	17 <i>Gingerbread Man</i> Gingerbread Man song 5 Little Gingerbread Men felt board Gingerbread House C,Q,G,S,A,I,T,J Review Christmas style Make a Gingerbread Man	18 Oh Christmas Tree The Spider's Surprise felt board Tinsel Tree Pinecone activity Old MacDonald Had a Christmas Tree Peppermint Stick fingerplay	19 St. Lucia Day song w/puppet St. Lucia Day Procession St. Lucia Crowns/Star Hats Christmas Music Dancing w/instruments	20 Jolly Old St. Nicholas Santa Claus vs. St. Nicholas/Christkind and St. Lucia discussion and other traditions in Europe Five Little Bells <i>The Legend of St. Nicholas</i> St. Nicholas hats	21 Oh Christmas Tree Christmas Music Dancing w/scarves Epiphany, 3 Kings Day Star Search obstacle King Crowns Silent Night Old MacDonald's Tree
CHRISTMAS EVE-KWANZAA	24 <u>CLOSING AT 3PM</u> We Wish You a Merry Christmas Oh Christmas Tree Here Comes Santa Away in a Manger Silent Night Old MacDonald's Tree Have a Merry Little Christmas everyone!	25 NO SCHOOL MERRY CHRISTMAS!	26 Spell it K-W-A-N-Z-A-A song Kwanzaa's Here The More We Get Together Kwanzaa Story Kwanzaa placemat weaving Mancala Ball Fruit Vegetable investigations	27 Seven Little Candles in a Row The More We Get Together Speak Swahili Kinara Manipulatives H,K,L,U,V,W,X,Y,Z review Animal Action Unity Cups Assort. African animal Masks	28 The More We Get Together Kwanzaa Is It's Name-O Kwanzaa Collage Kwanzaa Friendship Handprints Shoe Pile Game